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SUBJ: GKR APPROACH TO INDIANS ON REACTIVATION OF ICC

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1. POL COUNSELOR JULY 3 ASKED FOREIGN MINISTRY JOINT SECRETARY FOR CHINA AND SEA, V. V. PARANJPEE, WHAT HIS REACTION WAS TO GKR APPROACH ON REACTIVATION OF ICC. PARANJPEE SAID GOI POSITION NOW, AS IN PAST, IS THAT THERE APPEARS TO BE LITTLE ICC CAN DO UNTIL VARIOUS KHMER PARTIES REACH UNDERSTANDING. HE STRONGLY DOUBTED SOVIETS WOULD TAKE ANY POSITION SUPPORTING REACTIVATION OF ICC WITHOUT DRV AGREEMENT, WHICH HE DOUBTED WOULD BE FORTHCOMING. PARANJPEE SAID HE BELIEVED POLES AND CANADIANS HELD SAME VIEW. HE ASKED WHAT RECONSTITUTED ICC COULD DO AT THE PRESENT TIME, OBSERVING THAT EVEN IDENTITY OF VARIOUS KHMER ELEMENTS AMONG INSURGENTS WAS NOT CLEAR. IF ICC ALREADY PRESENT IN THE FIELD, THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PLAY SOME ROLE AS INTERMEDIARY BETWEEN PARTIES, BUT PARANJPEE DID NOT SEE HOW ICC COULD BE DEPLOYED

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TO THE FIELD UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. GOI HAS ASKED GKR A SERIES OF QUESTIONS DESIGNED TO CLARIFY ABOVE PROBLEMS AND NUMBER OF OTHERS AND IS AWAITING REPLY.

2. IN SEPARATE CONVERSATION, MINISTRY JOINT SECRETARY FOR EASTERN EUROPE, VENKATASWARAN, OBSERVED THAT MRS. GANDHI HAD EXCHANGED PLEASANTRIES WITH SIHANOUK BY PHONE IN YUGO-SLAVIA JUNE 16 PRIMARILY BECAUSE CALL HAD COME TO TITO WHILE HE TALKING WITH MRS. GANDHI AND SHE HAD BEEN UNABLE TO FIND POLITE WAY TO DECLINE TITO' S INVITATION TO TALK WITH SIHANOUK. VENKATASWARAN SAID THE INDIANS HAD NO INTENTION OF CHANGING THEIR RECOGNITION POLICY ON THE GKR. PARANJPEE IN CONVERSATION DESCRIBED IN PARA 1 ABOVE, HOWEVER, MADE IT CLEAR THAT GOI BELIEVED NO SETTLEMENT IN CAMBODIA WAS LIKELY WITHOUT SIHANOUK' S INVOLVEMENT. COMMENT: INDIANS OBVIOUSLY KEEPING AVENUES OPEN TO PRINCE BUT NOT ATTEMPTING ALTER THEIR CURRENT RELATIONS WITH GKR.
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